

Block Party Celebrates 10 Years!

Our tenth annual and best block party ever brought neighbors, former residents, friends, and grandchildren together for an afternoon of play and socializing. Partiers included new and long term residents – several have just moved to CVE (see newcomers story on page 2) and three (Fred Jacobsen, Rosary Nepi, Kerry Tabler) have lived in CVE for more than 50 years.

Back in 2000, Cindy Sharp had an idea for neighbors to get together, socialize, and get to know each other. The Block Party was born. In honor of her efforts, Cindy was crowned queen of the block party, with Cynthia Harris from Councilmember Emerald's providing official recognition for her contribution. An anniversary cake and balloon arch added to the special occasion.

Children and teens kept up a dizzying pace on the inflatable bouncy and the 60' long wall and slide as well as basketball hoop, watermelon feast, water balloon toss, bean bag toss and art projects.

As always the chili and dessert competitions were the favorite activities, judging from the long tasting lines and enthusiastic comments. Matt Taggart's Tagaliscious chili won the first place ladle followed

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SCN Activities and Clarification

Stabilizing College Neighborhoods (SCN) is working to make College View Estates known to potential home buyers. In May SCN members, Ann Cottrell and Joe Jones, made a presentation about CVE at Alvarado Hospital.

When an article on Stabilizing College Neighborhoods appeared in the March issue of the Gazette, we received questions about the relationship between that organization and College View Estates Association. While most SCN board members are residents of College View Estates, SCN is not a committee of CVEA, nor is it formally affiliated with CVEA in any way. CVEA is a nonprofit corporation, while SCN is an unincorporated association. SCN's goals apply to the entire College Area, with its initial activities targeted in CVE because of the greatest prospects for success here. We regret if the previous article created any confusion.

SDSU Recreation Offers Discount to CVEA Members

Summer Swimming

Summer is here and we have fantastic swimming pools just around the corner. SDSU's Aquaplex has a 50 meter pool with diving boards, rec pool with beach style entry and hydrotherapy pool. Summer at the Aquaplex is very much a community and family affair. Children's swim lessons are available and water fitness classes are free with membership. The pool facility is even available for birthday parties.

Three month summer passes for the Acquaplex are \$125 for one adult and one child (extra adult or child is \$25). CVEA members can purchase a 12 visit Acquaplex ticket at the discounted affiliate rate of \$32. Single visit passes are also available.

Aztec Recreation Center (ARC) Membership

Many of our neighbors are members of the Aztec Recreation Center (ARC), located on 55th St., and enjoy a great variety of fitness activities within walking distance. The ARC membership includes the huge gym offering many group fitness classes, weight training

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Police non-emergency call 531-2000

Call this number to complain about noise, a mini-dorm party, or any other police non-emergency. To formalize the complaint, give your name to the dispatcher on the phone. All names are confidential and will not be released to the offending party.

Welcome New CVE Neighbors!

Over ten new owners have moved into CVE homes in the past year. CVEA welcomes these new neighbors!



Kristin Keller & Brad Redmon

Brad Redmon & Kristin Keller (Bixel). Brad & Kristin have a consulting business, Fathom Change, a multidisciplinary studio that supports sustainability minded collaborators. Brad is a researcher specializing in California politics & environmental issues, including water policy, and Kristin is a designer working with businesses, nonprofits and political campaigns. Both grew up in Encinitas then Brad went to Occidental College and Kristin to the Art Center College of Design in Pasadena. Their interests include: Padres & Chargers, anything related to health & sustainable living and music (Pearl Jam).

Toni & Ben Xavier + Ben (2 yrs. old) (College Gardens Court). Toni & Ben were born into large families far apart. Ben was born in Vietnam but raised in Portland and San Diego; Toni grew up in Coronado. Ben is a biotech software engineer working on medical devices at Hospira Inc; his degree is from American Sentinel University. Toni went to Cal Poly Pomona then served

as project manager for Aplus before devoting herself to a career as mom and homemaker. Their shared interests include writing, photography, painting, gardening, music and parenthood.

Remy Serrano (Hewlett). Remy says "For me, the call back to the neighborhood was déjà vu for many reasons. I grew up in a similar environment (University Heights area) – canyon, interesting terrain and most significantly among many lovely neighbors. Additionally, I graduated from San Diego State University and have retained very fond memories of being a 'State' student. This was when the student population hovered around 36,000. Now I work for San Diego Superior Court as an Information Technology analyst – supporting the developing statewide California Trial Courts' case management system." Remy's passion is edible gardening which allows her to blend functionality and aesthetics. She'd love to share ideas with others.

Joe Olanoff, Kelsey Bollinger & Craig Lichtenfeld (Hewlett). Kelsey, a native San Diegan and UCSB graduate, works as a web marketing specialist for SKLZ (http:sklz.com) Her interests include soccer, running and home improvements. Joe, from Phoenix, is a University of Arizona graduate. He works for Crest Beverage and is drawn to basketball and all the weird bugs in the back yard, among other animals. Joe and Kelsey plan a November wedding. Craig, also a native San Diegan, graduated from SDSU last year. He works at Petco Corp. Headquarters and enjoys surfing, trucks, health and fitness. Bubba, their dog, specializes in neighborhood security.

Jason & Lynn Aplin + 2 children (Manhasset). Jason Aplin, the 2nd child of Ed and Peggy Aplin of 5318 Saxon Street and a member of the neighborhood since 1970, has returned to the neighborhood with his wife Lynn, a Massachusetts native, to raise their children, Ascher Reule Aplin born July 9, 2008, and Ara Raine Aplin Due on August 1 of this year.



Ben (w/ Ben Jr.) & Toni Xavier, Chris Stephens and Debby Pelich

If you want to find a good place to live just ask people if they trust their neighbors.

Countries/communities with high social trust have happier people, better health and less fear of crime according to David Brooks *NY Times* in *San Diego Union Tribune* 3/31/10.

Chris Stephens & Debby Pelich (Remin0gton). Chris is a true San Diegan; he was born here, went to Grossmont High and University of San Diego and has an MA & teaching credential from National University. Chris has two careers: Math teacher at Correla Middle School and a professional singer with San Diego Opera, Lyric Opera and First United Methodist Church. Debby is a Santa Cruz native who moved here to attend SDSU where she majored in theater. She currently works as an officer manager at the Hilton Hotel San Diego Bayfront. Chris and Debby plan an October wedding after which they will continue their shared interest in geocaching and visual entertainment. Chris also enjoys electronics and anything geeky & nerdy. Debby also enjoys crafts, scrapbooking and outdoor activities.

Chris Gordon (Remington). This Chris has just moved into the house across the street from Chris (above). Born in Germany to an Air Force family, Chris grew up in Omaha, NE and graduated from Creighton University in Omaha. He completed his medical degree at Texas A&M University with further training at the UC Irvine Medical Center. He currently works in family medicine at the Family Health Centers of San Diego. When not practicing medicine Chris enjoys running, playing soccer and following professional & college sports.

CVE would also like to welcome Roy and Marcelle Bauch on Stone Ct. and Justin & Megan Cross on Dorman. We'd love to include newcomers we've not met in the next Gazette issue. Please contact Ann (acottrell@mail. sdsu.edu) and introduce yourself.

Incorporation and Officers

College View Estates Association is now a not-for-profit corporation. Application is pending to become a 501c3 nonprofit, which would make donations tax exempt. The new officers, elected at the April meeting are: President, Rosary Nepi; Vice President, Gary Campbell; Secretary, Ann Cottrell; Treasurer, Beverly Butler, Recording Secretary, Lisa Vickers. CVEA will continue to operate as usual with monthly meetings of block coordinators and any other interested neighbors. Please consider attending a meeting, we would love to see you there!

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Cynthia Harris from Marti Emerald's office presents proclamation to Block Party queen Cindy Sharp



Matt Taggert wins first place with Tagaliscious Chili



Dessert contestants Katrina and Matt Powell, Ann Cottrell, first place winner Marialuisa Kapriellian, and the "voice" of the Block Party Dino Richardson



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closely by Jean Hoeger's Toucan Chili and a tie between Lisa and James Vickers for third with Cinn-a-beer Chili and Sausage Party Chili. In the dessert competition Marialuisa Kaprielian's Garden Carrot Cake (using carrots and other herbs and veggies from her garden) was awarded the first place pie server; Ann Cottrell's Nuts to You Bars took second and tied for third were Michelle Hoeger's Ohio Buckeyes and Homemade Chocolates created by Matt and Katrina Powell. Thanks to all who enlivened the competition with their chili or dessert entries: Monica Pacas & Josh Whyte, Lily Peterson, Elinor Rector & Merrill Ohlson, Neils King, Andrew and Sierra Sharp, and those mentioned above.

This event couldn't happen without the talents of our DJ/Master of Ceremonies Dino Richardson, and master grillers Kurt Hoeger & Bill Willoughby. Thanks to Beverly Butler and Ralph Acosta for help with the sign in and Renee Kaprielian for help at the food station. The party wouldn't happen of course without the committee members who plan and do much of the work to make it run smoothly: Henry Bertram, Ann Cottrell, Joe Jones, Jean Hoeger, Marialuisa Kaprielian, Dino Richardson, Cindy Sharp, Lisa Vickers and Alicia Wolf.

CVEA greatly appreciates contributions to the block party from San Diego Craftsman, The Adamske Prudential Realty group, DZ Akins and SDSU's Aztec Aquatic & Tennis Center.

If you have any suggestions for next years Block Party, or would like to contribute in any way, please contact Ann Cottrell at acottrell@mail.sdsu.edu.



Trash Collection

Thanks to Joe Joes, Beautification chair, for again arranging the mobile trash collection throughout CVE on May 1. This successful cleanup collected 5.88 tons of waste, including a little over half a ton of recyclables.

Congratulations CVE Graduates!

Bachelor's Degrees

Andrea Carroll, BA in Business, SDSU

High School

Miguel Allende (Saint Augustine), attending Santa Clara U., Environmental Science
AJ Carroll, (Patrick Henry), attending SDSU, Criminal Justice

Katy Driscoll, (Our Lady of Peace), attending CSU Chico, Interior Design Breanna Gergen, (Our Lady of Peace), attending Southern Oregon U., Biology Chad Thompson, (St. Augustine), attending Northern Arizona U., Pre-med Bill Willoughby (Patrick Henry), attending Grossmont CC – U. of California

Bill Willoughby, (Patrick Henry), attending Grossmont CC – U of California Rochelle Willoughby (Patrick Henry), attending Grossmont CC – U of California

Please let Ann Cottrell know if we missed any 2010 graduates and send names of any who will graduate in the next few months.

CVEA Discount

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machines, free weights, climbing wall, and much more. Access to the tennis courts and Aquaplex is also included in your membership. Now CVEA members (18 and older) get a 30% discount on ARC memberships. (This is the same price as alumni, faculty and staff.)

ARC memberships are available at the member services desk at the ARC. The ARC's Vicki Green (594-5778) has compiled a list of CVEA members' names that are in a notebook at the member services desk. Aquaplex passes are available at the pool. If they don't know about our affiliate status tell them to call the member services desk.

For further information about Aztec Recreation Center offerings and membership prices, visit http://arc.sdsu.edu/index.php or call 594-PLAY for ARC information or 594-SWIM for pool information.

Service Provider List

In the past CVEA has compiled a list of service providers recommended by members. We have had several requests to update this list of recommendations. We will do this if neighbors send us names and contact information for service providers they have liked. This would not be a CVEA recommendation but a way neighbors can share information with each other. Please contact Rosary Nepi (rnepi@cox.net, 582-5976) with questions or recommendations.

Community Garage Sale

In the past we have had a community wide garage sale. This successful event was organized by a realtor. If any realtor is interested in doing this we'd love to hear from you, or from anyone in CVE who is interested in working on this. Please contact any of the officers listed to the right.

Undergrounding Utilities

We'll soon be back to normal with new water and sewer lines.

The next major disruption, which will improve our community, is undergrounding of utilities. CVE is scheduled for 2013-2015. To check it out see http://citymaps.sandiego.gov/imf/sites/uuc/index.jsp? And search on your address.

National Award Winner

Thom McKenzie (Walsh way) has been honored with the Physical Education Teacher Education Honor Award in recognition of exemplary work impacting physical education and teacher education. A Professor emeritus at SDSU, his research and work are on physical activity levels and promoting physical activity among children and youth.

Rides for Seniors

Seniors in the College Area who need transportation now have a local service available. Jewish Community Services offers rides for a low fee to anyone over 60 in 92115. To find out more about the program call (877) 634-6537. Volunteer drivers are needed; to enquire about volunteering call (858)-637-3050



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Important Phone Numbers & Websites

San Diego Police Non-emergency 531-2000

Community Relations Officer Jenny Hall 619-516-3009 jmason@pd.sandiego.gov

SDSU Police 594-1991

Fire Department non-emergency 533-4400

Residential Stickers (small white hexagon for rear view mirror)
Nancy Lopez 594-5937

CAPP Coordinator

Josh Odom 516-3003 OdomJR@pd.sandiego.gov

SDSU Good Neighbor Program 594-7233

Neighborhood Code Compliance 236-5500

(violations not visible from street)

College Area Community Council (CACC)

collegeneighborhoods.com

CACC CENRP

Code Enforcement and Nuisance Rental Property Committee

cenrp@collegeneighborhoods.com

(report code violations and on-going nuisance behavior)

Building Records Dept. 446-5200

(to see if work has a permit)

Council Member Marti Emerald

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236-6330 JerrySanders@sandiego.gov

National Conflict Resolution Center 238-2400

(for mediation)

Street Division 527-7500

(streets, traffic signals, sidewalks, parkway trees)

Vehicle Abatement 858-495-7856

(abandoned or inoperative vehicles in yard or street)

Environmental Services 858-492-5055

(litter, trash)

Weed Abatement 533-4411